Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
Petition for Rulemaking or, in the Alternative, Petition to Address Referral Issues in Pending))	DA 03-4027
Rulemaking)	
Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions)	CC Docket No. 96-128
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996)	

MOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF LATE-FILED PLEADING

Pursuant to section 1.45 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.45, The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction ("ODRC") hereby submits this Motion to accept its late-filed comments in the above-captioned proceeding. Grant of this motion would serve the public interest and would assist in developing a complete record upon which to resolve the issues raised in the instant proceeding.

ODRC's Telecommunications Coordinator, Richard L. Swain, attempted on March 8, 2004, to electronically file ODRC's Comments and his supporting Affidavit, which are being simultaneously submitted with this Motion as a separate file, using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). The best evidence of that attempt is a print-out of the Cover Sheet to the ECFS, which indicates the date of "3/8/2004" in the lower right hand corner of pages one and two of Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Additionally, Mr. Swain has verbally represented to me that he so attempted to file. Mr. Swain is new to the ECFS process and on March 25, 2004, he learned that he was not successful in his attempt to so transmit ODRC's Comments and his supporting Affidavit.

No party to this proceeding will be prejudiced by grant of this Motion. The Commission extended the deadline for submission of reply comments in this proceeding from March 31, 2004 to April 21, 2004. This would give all parties an opportunity to review ODRC comments before replies are due.

Accordingly, ODRC has shown good cause for its Comments and the Affidavit of Richard L. Swain to be accepted in to this proceeding. The extension of the deadline for replies and the lack of prejudice to any party, as well as the public interest in the public safety and welfare, warrant granting of the instant Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction

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